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22d Annual Catalogue

SLAYMAKER & SON,

DOVER, DELAWARE.

The Best In Our Specialties.

The Commonwealth Strawberry.

GREETING.

WE EXTEND to our readers and customers, old and new, our most hearty greeting and good wishes.

In Asking Attention to our 22nd annual catalogue we wish to thank our many friends for their continued liberal patronage. Growing berry plants is our specialty and has been for over thirty years. We have to offer for spring of 1904 a large and fine stock of plants, and with our improved facilities each year, we are able to serve our patrons better than before.

By Freight—We have shipped plants to all parts of the country with almost unvarying success, giving entire satisfaction to our many customers. We recommend freight as the cheapest and best way of shipping plants except in small lots or late in the season.

By Express.—We have special 20 per cent discount rates with the Adams and other express companies. Our plants are put up as light as possible for express weighing only 10 to 20 pounds per 1000 when ready to go. We usually send by express when not otherwise ordered.

By Mail—We have delivered plants in large and small lots during the past year to all parts of the country including California. These have gone to hundreds of customers and given entire satisfactionn. No extra charge at dozen rates on any plants offered. Estimates on large lots with all charges prepaid, will be furnished on application.

Payments must be made in advance, but orders will be booked and held a reasonable time and sent on remittance.

C. O. D. orders will be accepted and promptly forwarded, but when made out for a large amount, a part of the money should accompany the order, or satisfactory reference be given.

Our light, sandy soil, open winters and warm packing rooms give us especial facilities for filling winter orders of southern planters and for startign plants to northern and western customers early enough in the spring to allow for plenty of time to reach their destination by freight, thus reducing the cost of transportation.

Packing in the best manner and delivery at office in Dover is included in all prices named. Small orders receive every care, all orders and enclosures will be promptly acknowledged, and questions relating to our business carefully answered. We use light and strong packages, put in plenty of moss, and carefully separate and mark each different variety with printed tags.

Our customers may depend on getting full count of live plants, true to name. Should any fail to get such plants they may upon prompt notice, have plants replaced or money refunded.

SLAYMAKER & SON, Dover, Del.

ALSO WYOMING, DEL.

OUR NEW PAMPHLET,

BERRY CULTURE

Mailed Free with Every Order When Requested.

STRAWBERRIES.

In Preparing a Strawberry bed, it is better to begin in the fall by spading or plowing deeply in November, but good results can usually be obtained if this is done just as soon as possible in the spring. After making the soil as fine as possible, plants may be set 18 inches apart each way, if for garden or 14 in. apart in rows 3 feet wide, if for field culture. One row out of every four must be of perfect flowering varieties. Set the plants with trowel, or in any way convenient, so that the roots extend down into the soil, and are all covered, the crowns appearing just above the surface of the ground. Firm very carefully; large beds should be rolled as soon as set out. Cultivate or hoe soon after setting and often enough to keep all weeds down. Let enough runners take root to make the rows 12 inches wide with plants standing 6 inches apart each way; then carefully remove all other runners, and remember that the success of your bed depends largely on the care with which this work is done. Keep up this treatment until stopped by winter, then mulch with straw and you have only to wait for your crop, one of the most certain, profitable, delightful and interesting that can be grown. High grade fertilizer, ashes, or well rotted manure may be applied any time in winter or spring to advantage.

IMPERFECT.

PERFECT.

Those varieties marked (imp.) are imperfect in blossom, and need at least every fourth row to be planted with some perfect or staminate sort. Those marked (per) are especially good to use as staminates, or to be grown alone.

Order Strawberry Plants Early by all means, as early as possible. Let us book your order while our stock is full, and then have them shipped to reach you in good time.

The descriptions of the following pages are a careful showing of the behavior of the different kinds under ordinary field culture on our farms, compared with reports from the best experimenters in other sections.

We tie in bunches of 25 as shown in cut. Our plants are grown on our own farm near Dover and Wyoming, where we have grown berries for forty years.

STRAWBERRY PLANTS READY FOR PACKING

Reference by Permission—Cashier First National Bank, Dover, Del.

Description of Our Strawberries.

PRESIDENT. (Imp.)—This fruited with us under most unfavorable circumstances. It is a strictly imperfect blossom. We did not understand this when we set our plants away from other kinds and on this account we only had a few specimens to mature. Our neighbor, Dr. Thomas was more fortunate, having his plants among some perfect blooming seedlings with which he is experimenting. We do not wonder at the prices reported by Mr. Hunt after seeing these plants in fruit. Large, handsome, perfect fruits in clusters without blemish or defect.

Mr. Hunt says of his crop in 1903:—We picked the first berries of this variety for market on May 30th., and now (June 29th.,) a few still remain. The size and quality have been fine during the entire season, the fruit netting twenty cents per quart wholesale in Trenton, N. J., and in Philadelphia the whole season through. During the first week of the season the berries were all picked together. After the first week a little sorting and selection was done by the pickers as the fruit was taken from the plants.

The President is distinctively an all-season berry. It has a remarkable trait of producing late fruit stalks, in such number that they might be called a second crop, and bringing the berries on these stalks up to great size and perfection. This was especially noticeable this year, as appears by the following extract from an article in the Rural New Yorker of July 4, 1903, written by Dr. Van Fleet, who visited my place on June 9th:

"Mr. Hunt has had the President Strawberry under field culture for several years and always valued its propensity for bringing its latest berries to large perfection. This useful trait was especially noticeable this season, as some of the early blooms, in common with other varieties, were injured by the early May freeze. New clusters were produced on all President plants thus affected, and ripened up berries of the largest size and finest quality. The writer is acquainted with most of the successful market strawberries grown in the East, but has yet to find one producing so many large and handsome fruits throughout the season, if well fed and cultivated. Like Gandy, President seems partial to rich, heavy soil, though it thrives very well in light, sandy loam on the Rural Grounds."

We find the plant a most vigorous grower, foliage large and strong, has shown no tendency to blight or disease. Do not forget the President shipped in quantity brought 20 cents per quart wholesale when common sorts did not average more than one-half this price.

AROMA. (Per)—An excellent late strawberry, very closely resembling the Gandy in the character of its fruit. Our experience would show this to be a more reliable and heavier bearer. It would take an expert to tell the two berries apart when picked.

BRANDYWINE. (Per.)—So well and favorably known that it scarcely needs a description. We have fruited it for years and are fully satisfied with it as the best in its class. It is one of the strongest growers with healthy foliage. fruit large and perfect in form, ripening evenly, a dark, rich color, with large green calyx. Continues a long time in fruit and considered by many to excel for canning purposes, as it does for shipping. Rich in pollen and a good fertilizer for medium late imperfect flowering varieties. Season medium late.

BUBACH. (Imp.)—This holds its place in the favor of most strawberry growers the leading pistillate variety for market. Large bright berry coloring very evenly, just the size and color that seems now to be most popular.

COMMONWEALTH. (See cut on first page of cover, showing 2 feet of row of Commonwealth taken July 2.)—This variety originates in Massachusetts, where it has taken the prize for best new variety two years in succession, 1902-1903, given by the State Horticultural Society. In that section the Sample is the standard late berry and it is a good one here and elsewhere where tried. Commonwealth is a week later, bears equally as well and rivals the Marshall in quality. From the growth of the plants and the berries that we allowed to fruit on spring set plants we should think it very nearly related to Marshall, though of course much later in ripening and more prolific in bearing. There is always a demand for late strawberries at an extra price and this is the latest of all really productive strawberries. There are comparatively few of these plants for sale this spring and we advise all to get in order as early as possible and secure at least enough plants for trial. Mr. James J. H. Gregory the well known seedsman says of this berry:—I saw the Commonwealth on the grounds of the originator, Mr. Wm. H. Monroe, and a grand sight it was. The berry is tremendously large, (14 of those I picked filled a quart box). The berries are symmetrical in shape, having a rich glossy color. The flesh is dark red, nearly as dark as the Marshall. It is a great cropper and appears to be sufficiently hard fleshed to ship well. One of its most valuable characteristics is its lateness in maturing, for when I was there July 2, the large bed which had bushels of growing fruit had to be searched over very carefully to find a single quart of ripe berries. Price $1.00 per doz., $6.00 per 100.

THE CHALLENGE STRAWBERRY (Per.)—The first requisites of a successful variety is vigor. The Challenge has this. It is not shown in excessive running but in large, stocky, healthy plants, with long roots that go down where the water is, that send out comparatively few runners but bear enormous crops. While we have seen some rust on the Challenge, as we have on nearly, or quite, every other variety at some time or another, the plants, after an unusually wet season, were among the cleanest and best looking on our place in December. Its long roots enable it to go through a drouth better than probably any other variety on the market, as was proven at its home in Missouri in the awful summer of 1901. It is productive, large, of good color, and probably firmer than any other. The berries are as large as the Bubach, and are generally of good form, not creased like the Bubach, or coxcombed like the first Wm. Belt, but more of the form of the Parker Earle, only shorter and broader—a somewhat flattened double cone with the broadest part almost midway between the stem and the tip. The color is dark red, it colors all over and is red clear through. In firmness we believe it is the peer if not the superior of any big berry we have ever known. The originator shipped Challenge berries from Missouri to Denver in a common express car ,and they arrived in fine condition. Not fully tried yet here.

CORSICAN.—This variety we think worthy of a place among the standard varieties. Notable especially for its high quality and exceedingly handsome fruit.. Looming to the front as the best berry to grow where quality and beauty are the prime considerations.

CLIMAX. (Per).—This grand new variety has now been shipped to market three years and each year adds to its wonderful record as a money making berry. The plant is almost a wonder in itself as it grows in our beds. They are made somewhat slowly, and set wide enough apart so that each one has a chance to grow to full size without crowding, thus accounting for its large size and very heavy root system. The dark strong foliage mark it instantly among fifty other sorts. We quote from the 1904 Catalogue of W. F. Allen as follows:—

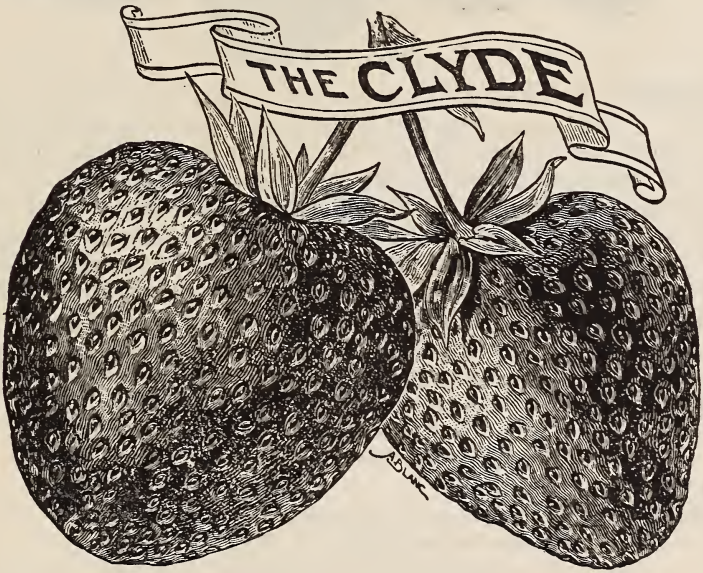
Climax is an extremely popular new variety that is being talked of by berry growers all over the Delaware and Maryland Peninsula. Being quite a little interested myself, I drove over 20 miles one day last May to see how much of the wonderful things said of it were true, and I was surprised to find that it had not been overestimated. The berry is medium to large and is immensely productive. Mr. J. F. Jester whose patch I was in and photographed, wrote me on June 6th that he picked from a measured plot 3x5 yards 78 quarts which sold for $4.66 or at the rate of 25,166 quarts, $1500.00 per acre. This sounds like a fairy tale and yet Mr. Jester is an honest and honorable old gentleman, who has been in the mercantile business for many years where he now lives and has made for himself an enviable reputation for his honesty and truthfulness. Moreover Mr. Jester has no pecuniary interest in the Climax except his love for fine berries and the pleasure and profit he derives from growing fine fruit. Now it must not be conceded that I am claiming that this record could be made on a large scale or even on a small one except under extremely favorable conditions. It is nevertheless one of the most productive berries I ever saw and I advise all strawberry lovers to give it a trial."

Messrs. Cordrey, the Introducers say:

"Desirious of knowing what our New York people would think of the

Climax, we contracted with the originator and two other growers who had Climax Thursday, May 14th., to take all the Climax they could pick for us on the following Monday. They all picked on Thursday, it being very cool and dry, we advised not to pick any more until Monday as we wanted enough for a small gasoline boat load. They did as advised but Saturday and Sunday were very warm, and of course ripened them very fast. Monday we went down for the berries. Arriving at 12.30 p.m., after berries were picked and packed in 60 quart crates, they were hauled to wharf, taken out of the 60 quart crates and packed into 48 quart crates of our own (This being our style package) loaded on boat, boated 60 miles to Laurel, unloaded, hauled ½mile to car (just an ordinary ventilator too) loaded and railroaded to Jersey City, there loaded on trucks and hauled to Commission houses in New York and Brooklyn, and were sold Wednesday morning for two cents more per quart, (14 cents per quart) than the first picking of Tennessee."

We have a large stock of Climax of our own growing and can make very liberal prices. 25 cts. per doz., 50 cts. per 100, $4.00 per 1000.



CLYDE. (Per.)—An early variety ripening, a very large crop of fruit before the season is fully on and the markets crowded with berries. The plant does not show as much foliage at fruiting time as could be desired and the berry is rather poor quality on this account.

FLORETTA.—This is a novelty indeed, makes immense stools and can be grown only in hills successfully, a seedling of Bubach with this singular habit that will bear only in the hill, and such immense stools as it makes with such loads of fine fruit. You should try a few plants at least. Price 50 cts. per doz., $3.00 per 100.

GANDY, CRESCENT, HAVERLAND, WARFIELD, and GLEN MARY are all so well known as to need no description from us now. We have plenty of these plants as we have of quite a number of other varieties not here described for various reasons.

EXCELSIOR.—No other variety comes any earlier into market than the Excelsior. The many good qualities of this berry are only lately becoming known as growers learn how to handle the crop. Its natural habit of overcrowding the rows with plants has somewhat obscured its many merits. Among these are high color, decided firmness, immense productiveness, and above all extra early. Growers who understand the merits of this strawberry are every year extending their planting. Our immense stock of Excelsior enables us to offer very low prices. Price 15 cts. per doz., 20 cts. per 100., $1.50 per 1000.

HEFLIN EARLY.—An extra early berry of large size and most attractive appearance. Shipped from the south to New York market it has been a record breaker in price, selling away ahead of all its competitors in the early markets of that city. Plant is vigorous, but will need to be thinned out to do its best in this section. It is well worth trial where large early strawberries are in demand. Of course the berries being so large are not set so freely as most early sorts.

JOHNSON'S EARLY.—Originated on this Peninsula, begins to ripen with Michels Early, larger than either Michels or Excelsior but somewhat slower to ripen. Among the good qualities of this sort are high color, good size, fine carrying quality and greatest vigor of plant. Resists the frost better than any other, not even one was injured by the freeze of last year so far as we could see. We can recommend the Johnson for market to all those willing to take the trouble to keep the rows from overcrowding.

LESTER LOVETT (Per.)—Plants resemble the Gandy so close, both in foliage and habit of growth that it is very hard to tell one from the other. Like the Gandy it is only a fair plant maker and shows but very little rust. Fruit large to very large with large hull which holds its color well growing on very stiff fruit stems. One of the very best for long distance shipping. Color a bright red, extending well into the berry, extra good in quality and lasts season commenced to ripen three days later than Gandy and gave us several good pickings after Gandy was gone. It seems to be more productive and later, the blossoms showing more pollen, with the shape of the first berries, broader and somewhat flattened.

LADY GARRRISON.—(Per.) Introduced in this section from the originator in New Jersey. This variety has found much favor among market growers. It is a strong rampant grower, producing an abundant crop of bright red berries, long smooth and uniform, brings the full market price. One of our good sorts at lowest possible price.

AUTO.(Per.)—After another very unfavorable season the Auto stands ahead for the large size of its fruit as well as for its sweetness, healthfulness, vigor and productiveness. This variety will fruit on the grounds of the St. Louis exposition the coming spring as well as in the gardens of hundreds of growers all over the country, and we predict a great demand for the plants next year. Owing to the immense size of this plant and the correspondingly slow production it is quite likely that enough plants cannot be grown to fill this demand. Now is the time to get plants of this noble variety that is sure to prove the pride of every garden whose owner is wise enough to possess it.

MRS. MARK HANNA.—Originated by M. T. Thomson, the veteran Horticulturist of Virignia. Plants all large and make extra long, heavy roots and on this account it ought to be as it has proven a great drought resister. Fruit is large heart shaped, bright red and very firm. We like the behavior of this plant and believe it will prove an acquisition to the list of good new strawberries.

MICHEL'S EARLY.—The old standard for very early which has not been excelled in this respect. Ripens its crop very quick, a sweet melting berry of small size but good carrier. There is money yet in this berry for very early market. Price $1.50 per 1000, 5000 for $6.00.

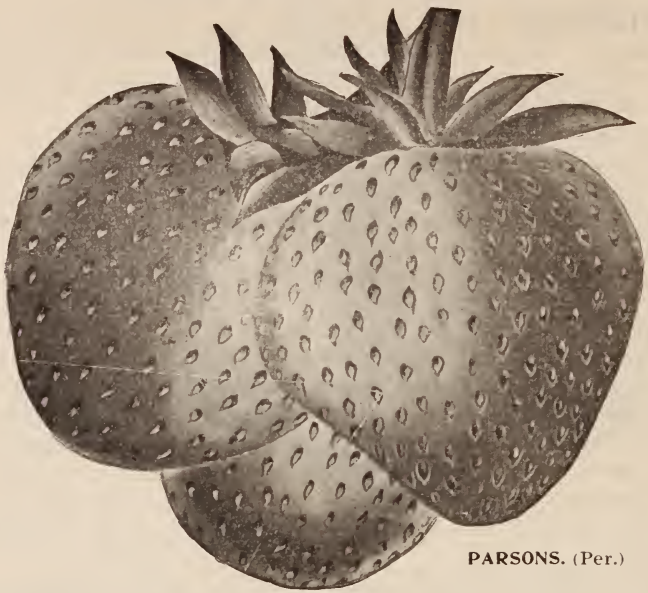
MARIE. (Per).—A seedling of Crescent, fertliized by Cumberland. It has the good quailties of both, and a firmness possessed by neither. Vigorous and productive as Crescent, large and shapely like Cumberland. This variety fills a needed place among late ripening sorts. A safe berry to plant for market. In all good characteristics the Marie rates with the best strawberries. You have only to see its close smooth bright berries, uniformly large, firm and good, to know it will become one of our great market berries.

NICK OHMER has been extensively tried all over the country and all speak well of it. As might be expected from the vigorous character of the plant, the berries though large are very well held up on strong fruit stems. It is a bright red, smooth, round berry of highest quality and among the firmest good berries. Begins in mid season and lasts quite late.

REBA.—A new variety that does particularly well in our trial beds. Ripens second early but so fast that its large crop can be marketed before the rush of mid season. A particularly attractive berry, high colored, close built, firm and yet a fine table fruit. Vigorous in growth of vine and leaf; a safe variety to plant.

SAMPLE.(Imp.)—Fruited and carefully watched last spring; this berry fulfils its great promise. Strong spotless foliage, luxuriant growth. Extra heavy setting of fruit, colors promptly and all over a fine red, good uniform size, but needs good land and heavy feeding to bring up all the berries that are set to their naturally good size. We like the Sample and recommend its trial.

SENATOR DUNLAP. (Per).—Originates in Illinois, has grown steadily in public favor on account of the vigor and robust growth of plants being long rooted and drought proof. Large perfect fruit somewhat of Warfield type but very attractive in market, not yet fruited with us.



PARSONS. (Per.)

PARSONS BEAUTY.—This variety does best on low, somewhat heavy lands where the water level is not too far from the surface. It ripens its first fruit quite early in the season and continues to give good picking all the way through. Mr. C. S. Terry, Fruit buyer of Wyoming, has gone downthe state to Selbyville several years past expressly to buy Parson Beauty strawberries for houses in Boston, Massachusetts and Springfield, Ohio. He says, "I bought over seventy car loads of this one variety last year. It is the best market berry I ever saw, every car made money for all connected. Houses wired almost daily like this.—We had the best car of berries in town. As to its yield I believe one acre of Parsons Beauty yielded as much as two acres of anything else in that section."

SUCCESS.—We received these plants from the originator in Connecticut and now after fruiting several successive years we believe it stands at the head of all berries now grown for early market. Only two or three days later than Excelsior which is first in season everywhere. It is as large and productive as Bubach which it resembles very much in plant and foliage. By far the largest berry in its early season. It's so good that even quite late in the season the berries were sold at a higher price than fine Bubach could command.

We recommend the Success as one of the best early berries and in our opinion among the most desirable berries now available for market purposes.

TENNESSEE. (Per.)—A fine healthy plant that is now very well known and largely planted to fertilize Bubach, Seaford and other imperfect sorts. Like many other strong growers it will overcrowd the row if left to itself and small inferior berries will result, instead of the large fine looking fruit that this variety is able to produce under fair treatment. Always productive, fair quality and good shipper. It is a notable fact that Bridgeville, Del., has won its place as the largest shipping point for strawberries in the country by sticking close to the Tennessee Prolific.

General List of Strawberries.

Dozen rates include postage. Add ten cents per 100 for mailing.

	12	100	1000
Auto (Per.)	$ 25	$ 50	$ 3 00
Aroma	20	30	2 00
Commonwealth	1 00	6 00	
Corsican (Per.)	20	30	2 50
Bismarck	20	40	3 00
Brandywine (Per.)	15	30	1 75
Bubach (Imp.)	15	30	2 00
Beder Wood	20	30	2 50
Clyde (Per.)	15	30	2 00
Challenge	40	75	4 00
Crescent (Imp)	15	25	1 50
Climax	25	50	4 00
Granville	20	40	2 50
Lady Garrison (Per.)	15	25	1 50
Excelsior	15	25	1 50
Gandy	20	30	2 00
Gladstone	25	50	3 00
Glen Mary (Per.)	20	35	3 00
Gibson	20	40	2 50
Greenville (Imp.)	15	30	2 00
Haverland (Imp.)	15	25	1 75
Heflin Early	20	30	2 00
Ideal (Per.)	20	30	2 00
Jessie (Per.)	20	30	2 50
Johnson Early	15	25	1 50
Kansas	25	50	3 00
Lady Thompson	15	30	2 00
Lester Lovett	25	50	5 00
Lovett	20	35	3 00
Marshall (Per.)	20	30	2 50
Margaret	20	30	2 50
Michels Early	15	20	1 25
Marie (Imp.)	15	25	2 00
Midnight	25	50	5 00
Nettie	25	50	4 00
Nick Ohmer (Per.)	20	30	2 00
Pennell (Dewey)	25	40	3 00
Pride of Cumb'd	20	40	2 50
Palmer Early	15	25	1 50
Parsons Beauty (per)	20	40	2 00
President (Imp.)	1 00	3 00	15 00
Robbie (Per.)	20	40	3 00
Reba (Per.)	15	25	1 75
Sharpless	25	40	3 00
Sample (Imp.)	15	25	1 75
Sunshine	25	50	3 00
Success (Per.)	15	25	1 75
Superior	20	30	2 00
Starr	20	35	3 00
Senator Dunlap	20	50	3 00
Tennessee (Per.)	15	25	1 75
Texas	50	30	4 00
Uncle Jim	20	40	2 50
Warfield (Imp.)	15	40	2 50
Wilson (Albany)	20	40	2 50

We have tested and can specially recommend those varieties printed in capitals. Those marked (Imp.) are Imperfect in blossom and must have a perfect plant set near them, every fourth row will do. Those marked (Per.) are the best kinds to plant with imperfect sorts.

OUR PLANTS ARE ALL DUG FROM YOUNG BEDS.

SPECIAL OFFERS,

1 dozen each; Commonwealth, President, Climax, Auto, Mrs. Mark Hanna, Senator Dunlap, Challenge, Lester Lovett, 8 new kinds prepaid $2.50.

1 dozen President, Challenge, Auto and Climax, prepaid for $1.25.

25 Climax, 25 Senator Dunlap, 25 Success, 25 Lester Lovett, prepaid $1.00.

Pamphlet containing full up to date cultural directions sent with every order if asked for.

Remember our new Pamphlet Cultural directions for growing berries. Will be mailed to every customer immediately on receipt of order, if asked for.

THE WARD BLACKBERRY.—A New Jersey Wonder.—This new blackberry was found growing in a fence row, alongside of a patch of Wilson. It is probably a seedling of Kittitinny and Wilson. Has all the good qualities of the Kittitinny and none of its defects. The Originator certifies to a crop of 69 bushels from 2-5 of an acre.

Mr. Chas. Black says it is equal to Wilson in its prime. Mr. Hale says: "I can agree with you that the Ward is the most hardy as well as the best blackberry I have ever seen. Plants so literally covered with fruit that it actually blotted out the foliage." The Fruit Committee of New Jersey Horicultural Society, fully endorsed all that is claimed for it by the introducers and would add that for productiveness it far exceeds any variety yet disseminated. Ripens in Central New Jersey about July 20th.

Price No. 1 plants $1.50 per doz., $5.00 per 100, No. 2 well rooted $1.00 per doz., $3.00 per 100.

JORDAN—We have now fruited this blackberry several years and having learned the peculiar trimming required we find it the best late blackberry we have ever grown. It is the largest berry, and the best in quality of all blackberries; grows on strong heavy canes that are perfectly hardy and lasts a long time. In fact this is an ideal late blackberry and should be in every garden. We don't see how the Jordan can fail to pay for market, though that is yet to be tried. The trimming spoken of above or rather absence of all trimming until blossoms appear is necessary because the blossoms are set out on the lateral branches and not on the main cane so that if trimmed as would be done early in spring very few blossoms will be left to bear. Try the Jordan and see what a really good blackberry can do. Price 50 cts. per doz., $1.50 per 100.

BRILL BLACKBERRY—This new early blackberry comes from J. F. Brill, of Texas. He describes it as a strong growing blackberry, as early and large as the Lucretia dewberry, but of upwright growth and more productive of much finer quality and a splendid carrier. We think many of our friends would like to try such a blackberry and so we have made arrangements by which we can offer the plants this season in small lots only. Price, 6 plants 50 cts.; 12 plants 75 cts.; $5.00 per 100.

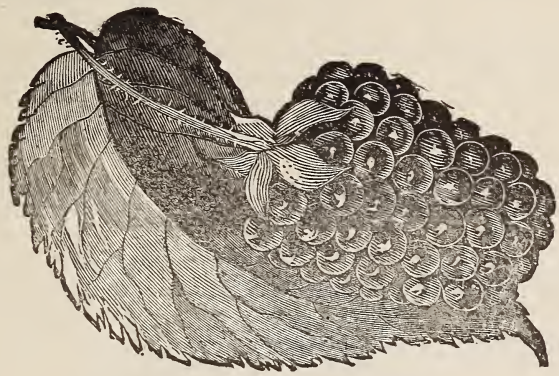
Eldorado, $1.50 per 100.

Erie, $1.00 per 100.

Lucretia Dewberry, $.75 per 100, $5.00 per 1000.

Austin Dewberry, $1.00 per 100, $6.00 per 1000.

The Premo Dewberry price, $1.00 per doz., $3.00 per 100, $20.00 per 1000. (Description by Introducer.)



THE PREMO was found growing in a Lucretia patch, where its early ripening attracted instant attention. It closely resembled Lucretia in fruit, but all the berries on the vine were about ripe just as Lucretia was beginning to ripen a few scattering fruits. All Blackberry growers know how much more money this means to them. If the entire crop of Lucretia could be picked at the first or second picking, what a great difference it would make in the grower's bank account! Now you can do this by planting PREMO, and you can do still more—for you can pick many berries before you can any of the Lucretia, and can finish at the second picking.

Those who plant PREMO now will be ahead of the procession and reap rich reward.

Please note that PREMO has an imperfect blossom, so that every third or fourth row must be planted with Lucretia in order to fertiliz the flowers.

ROGERS DEWBERRY—A new berry from Texas. Introducer has strong testimonials to show its remarkable characteristic. Very early ripens one month ahead of Lucretia, fine quality and large size, has been shipped to market over 1000 miles, "arriving in good condition and selling to good advantage." A wonder in its way, that no grower can afford to omit. Price, 2 plants by mail 50 cents- $1.00 per doz. $5.00 per 100.

Raspberries.

MILLER RED.—This is now the favorite market berry in this section. Good large size, beautiful bright color and an extra good carrier. Good money was made from Miller last year as has been every year since its introduction. Price 50 cts. doz., $1 per 100; $5 per 1000.

Cuthbert. Price $1. per 100.

KANSAS.—This new blackcap combines so many good qualities as to make it the BEST SECOND-EARLY BLACKCAP. It ripens one picking after Palmer, gives heavier pickings of more perfect berries than any other blackcap, and continues to bear until late. A wonderfully strong grower; a faultless berry. 50 cents per dozen, $1.00 per 100, $6.00 per 1000.

NEW CHAUTAUQUA CLIMBING CURRANT.

We take pleasure in offering this new novelty among fruits believing it to be a great acquisition. Think of a single vine that has yielded a bushel of fine large fruit in clusters, 4 to 5 inches long; color very dark red, contains less seed than any currant grown and less acid than any other red currant. Foliage very heavy, holds the fruit a long time, can be grown in bush form coming to bearing size in ½ the time. We have to depend on the Introducer, Mr. E. H. Fay for our facts about this Currant. The statements of this well known expert are fully borne out by testimonials from a number of neighbors who have seen it in fruit . Dont fail to try the Chautauqua Currant. Price, 1 year, No 1 plant, $1.00 each; $10.00 per 100.

ASPARAGUS.

PALMETTO AND BARR'S MAMMOTH.—Strong, assorted plants, 50c. per 100, $2.50 per 1000.

GIANT ARGENTUEL,—50 cents per 100, $3.00 per 1000.

CELERY PLANTS.

We are large shippers of Celery Plants, having grown and sold nearly half a million plants last year. We will have all the standard varieties in July and August at low prices.

White Plume, Boston Market, Giant Pascal, et c., 40 cts.per 100, $1 per 1000.
Golden Self Blanching, $1.25 per 1000.

SWEET POTATO PLANTS.

BIG STEM JERSEY.—Best slip seed. Price, 25c per 100, by mail; $1.50 per 1000.

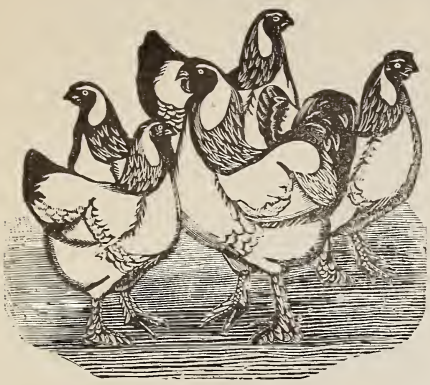
YELLOW NANSEMOND.—Price 25 c. per 100 by mail; $1.50 per 1000.

RED NANSEMOND—Price 30c. per 100, $1.50 per 1000.

CRIMSON CLOVER SEED.

We grow our own Crimson Clover Seed and can furnish in large or small lots, pure seed of highest germinating quality at lowest market rates. We recommend the extensive trial and use of this best of manurial crops, especially good to prepare land for a crop of strawberries or to sow in August or September among raspberries or blackberries. Price, subject to market changes, $4 per bushel.

Pure Bred Poultry.



We raise and sell large quantities of pure high bred poultry every year. While we are not exhibitors we take every precaution to have our stock of the best and not being at the trouble and expense of exhibition we can offer the eggs, as good we believe as can be obtained anywhere at a price within the reach of all.

We take particular pains to have our stock strong and healthy as well as up to the fancy points and make it a rule to breed only cock birds of the best strains not related to the hens.

We have had remarkable success in packing and shipping eggs to distant points. Packing in light basket without extra charge.

PLYMOUTH ROCK.—This is the most popular general purpose fowl. Its good size, hardy growth and good laying qualities, make it a practical bird for the farm. We have Barred and White Plymouth Rock both up to the standard. Price, 2 sittings, 26 eggs, for $1.

LEGHORNS.—A well-known fowl noted for its egg producing qualities. They lay so steadily that they seldom get time to sit and therefore cannot be depended on for sitters. The eggs are large and white and are now very popular in market—often an extra price can be obtained for pure Leghorn eggs in the city market. We have the single combed, White and Brown Leghorns, fine birds well mated. Standard in every respect. 2 sittings, 26 eggs for $1.

LIGHT BRAHMA.—This large variety of fowl has long stood high among poultry growers. The large stately birds are an ornamental as well as useful addition to any farmyard. There is no more valuable cross than is offered by the Light Brahma and some smaller breed of fowls. They are a quiet, tame, docile bird easily kept in or out of a yard. Good layers, of rapid strong growth and steady going habits. 2 sittings, 26 eggs, for $1.

BLACK MINORCA.—Large beautiful black hens. Great Layers and also large enough to grow for market. Lays a white egg like the Leghorn; 26 eggs for $1.

WHITE WYANDOTTE.—The best of the Wyandottes. 26 eggs for $1.00 cents.

We will ship 1 sitting each of any two varieties of fowl for $1.

CUTAWAY HARROW.

We believe this implement should be on every farm. For preparing the berry beds for planting there is no other implement like it. With extension head and reversible gangs it is the best implement for orchard cultivation. We could not get along without a Cutaway and so we have arranged to offer them to our customers. Send for special circular and price list.

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Photo of Plant 5 years old, 14 feet high, 8 feet wide.

State of Delaware. State Board of Agriculture.

CERTIFICATE OF NURSERY INSPECTION.

Dover, Delaware, Sept. 9, 1903.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:—This certifies that I have this day examined the nursery stock and premises of the Meadow Brook Nurseries of Messrs Slaymaker & Son at Dover and Wyoming, Kent county, Delaware, and that said nursery stock is apparently free from crown gall, peach yellows, peach rosette, the San Jose scale, and all other plant diseases and insects of a seriously dangerous nature.

This certificate may be revoked by the State Board of Agriculture for cause, and it is invalid after August 31, 1904, and does not include nursery stock not grown on the above named premises unless such stock is covered by certificate of a state or government officer and accepted by the State Board of Agriculture.

WESLEY WEBB, Inspector.

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